killings need to be tackled by all SC"; and

(b) if so, the measures being taken to curb this trend of organised crime which is of recent origin in our country ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 'Public Order' and 'Police' are State subjects as per the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India. The registration, investigation, detection and prevention of crimes are primarily the responsibility of the State Governments. However, the Government of India has been advising the State Governments, from time to time, to give more focused attention to improving the administration of criminal justice.

For effectively controlling the menace of organised crime, it is essential to further strengthen the existing legal frame work which includes the criminal and procedural laws as well as the adjudicatory system. The Government of Maharashtra has enacted the Maharashtra Control of Organised Crime Act, 1999. The Government of India feels that the Maharashtra Act may serve as a good model to deal with organised crime. The Legislatures of the States of Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka have passed similar legislations which are awaiting assent of the President. The other States have been advised by the Central Government to consider enactment of a similar legislation improving upon the Maharashtra model keeping in view the experience of the State Government in dealing with organised crime in their respective States.

Garbage disposal from Tihar Jail

†4015. DR. A.K. PATEL : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-item published in 'Rashtriya Sahara' dated 3rd July, 2001 captioned "Sathapna ke baad se kuda nahi uthaya gaya Tihar se"; and

(b) if so, what directions Government propose to give to the concerned officers regarding the premises of Tihar Jail in Delhi ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The premises of the Central Jail, Tihar is being constantly cleaned by the Safai Karamcharies. Besides, a private agency has also been engaged by the Jail Administration for removal of garbage.

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.